Tobacco Disparities Grant 2022-2023 Questions & Answers

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This document will be periodically updated, so please check back often.

Question 1: We are applying for the Disparities grant in South Dakota and I am wondering if the TATU programming and training would be available to our Boys & Girls Club and also what those costs.

<u>Answer:</u> Yes, the TATU programming would be available to Boys & Girls Club and it would be free to all students in grades 7th -12th. Please also see the Community/School Partnership application as the requirements have changed and may be a fit as a funding opportunity.

The South Dakota Tobacco Control Program is pleased to announce that the 2022-2023 Community/School Partnership grant application is now open. The Community/School Partnership Grant program is designed to link community and/or school tobacco prevention control efforts in order to achieve maximum impact but a partnership is not required for funding opportunities.

To learn more about this funding opportunity and how to apply visit http://doh.sd.gov/prevention/tobacco/ .

Please note a few changes have been made to the grant guidance this year.

- Partnerships are no longer required to apply.
- You must select at least one Strategy under two or more Goal Areas.

This grant will not fund permanent equipment such as E-Cigarette/Vapor detectors.

Question 2: I see the new guidelines aren't requiring the school/agency partnership. Are we able to apply for both the Disparities and Community/School Partnership grant?

<u>Answer:</u> You are able to apply for both the Disparities and Community/School Partnership grants as long as your activities/goals are different for each grant.

Question 3: Could you share with me the DOH's priorities as far as the Tobacco Disparities grant goes? We are hoping to implement the Life Skills program you shared with me last year that is more for elementary youth to get them more involved. Do we need to put TATU on our plan, do



you think? It just seems to be getting redundant with our youth with it being the same each year.

<u>Answer:</u> The purpose of the Disparities Grant is to promote health equity by incorporating a long-term change aimed at reducing disparate tobacco use among the following SD TCP priority populations: youth and young adults, American Indians, pregnant and postpartum women, people of low socioeconomic status (SES), and the behavioral health populations. Full descriptions of each priority population can be found in the Priority Population Guidelines, located on https://befreesd.com/about-us/prioritypopulations/overview/.

Life Skills is a curriculum that we support for youth. Like Skills has books/curriculum that is provided for free by the Tobacco Control Program. Your staff will need to be trained in Life Skills to do the program. TATU is something you can have in your plan, but if you feel that it is not something you want to do this year you do not have to; it is just an option for programming.

For more information on the Tobacco Disparities Grant, you can look at the Grant Guidance document at https://doh.sd.gov/prevention/assets/2022-2023 TobaccoDisparities GrantGuidance.pdf. You may want to also look at the requirements for the Community/School Partnership Grant as this might fit your population. There has been some changes on the Community/School Partnership Grant.

Question 4: What is the 'facilitator stipend'?

<u>Answer:</u> The facilitator stipend can be for any time spent in webinars, creating reports, etc. that is not accounted for within the grant activities.

